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Office of Executive Engineer, North Canara, Sedasheghur, 9th January 1863.

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By order of the Board of Directors,
SHAPOORJEE FRAMJEE,
Acting Secretary.

Company's Office, No. 25 Medow Street.
Bombay, 8th January 1863.

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PASSES GRANTED.

Years.	Up to 14th Feb. 1863.	From 15th to 21st Feb. 1863.	Total.
At Indore.	Chests.	Chests.	Chests.
For 1861-62	...	...	*26,140
„ 1862-63	24,314	1,471	25,785
At Ahmedabad.			
For 1861-62	...	...	*42
„ 1862-63	3,991	30	4,021

IMPORTED INTO BOMBAY.

Years.	Up to 24th Feb. 1863.	From 25th Feb. to 3rd March 1863.	Lost on the Road.	Total Imported.
At Indore.	Chests.	Chests.	Chests.	Chests.
For 1861-62	74	...	74	*26,142½
„ 1862-63	23,186½	691	½	23,877½
At Ahmedabad.				
For 1861-62	...	...	...	*42
„ 1862-63	3,990½	...	½	3,990½

EXPORTED BY SEA.

Years.	Up to 24th Feb. 1863.	From 25th Feb. to 3rd March 1863.	Total.
At Indore.	Chests.	Chests.	Chests.
For 1861-62	25,808½	29½	25,838
„ 1862-63	18,342½	761½	19,104
At Ahmedabad.			
For 1861-62	29	...	29
„ 1862-63	3,139½	40	3,179½

DETAIL OF EXPORTS FROM 25TH FEB., TO 3RD MARCH 1863

	Chests.
Of the Season 1861-62.	
Per Steamer Singapore	29½
Of the Season 1862-63.	
Per Steamer Singapore	761½
Per Steamer Singapore	40
Total	831

N.B.—The Opium Season year commences from 1st October and ends with 30th September.

* During the whole Season.
(Errors excepted)

E. L. JENKINS,
Dy. Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium, P.D.
Bombay, Custom House, 4th March 1863.

Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
BOMBAY AGENCY.
EXCHANGE.

THE CORPORATION grant Drafts on London on demand, and at from one day to six months' sight, and Drafts on Scotland and Ireland on demand; also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, the Continent of Europe, New York, the West Indies, Australia, New Zealand, and the Cape of Good Hope.

The Current rates of Exchange are:—

On London at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¾d. per Rupee.
„	4 do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
„	3 do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
„	2 do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
„	1 do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
„	on demand	1s.	11¾d. do.
On Scotland	do.		
On Ireland	do.		
On Paris, at 3 days' sight		1s.	11¾d. do.

Circular Notes payable throughout Europe. 1s. 11¾d. do.

No Drafts at six months' sight are granted for sums under £50. Sums under £20 are only drawn for on demand.

Drafts are also granted on Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

The Corporation purchase or collect Bills payable in Europe or in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

DEPOSITS.

The Corporation receive Deposits on the following terms:—

Repayable on demand, in sums of Rs. 100 and upwards			2 per ct. per annum.
Do. in one sum, at 3 months' notice			3 „
Do.	do. 6	do.	4 „
Do.	do. 12	do.	5 „

No interest allowed on Deposits under Rs. 1,000, nor on deposits over Rs. 50,000, *unless by special arrangement.*

REMITTANCE.

The Corporation undertake to remit money to Europe by each Overland Mail free of charge.

Parties are requested to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to "*The Oriental Bank Corporation or Order,*" and to state distinctly the name and address of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made. (*If to a Lady, her Christian name or names in full,*) and the sight at which the Bills are to be drawn.

COMMISSION.

The rate of Commission charged by this Agency on the purchase or sale of Government Securities negotiable in Bombay, is ¼ per cent. on the amount invested or realized, and on the collection of Bills, one per cent. and Postage.

The Corporation take charge of Government Paper, Shares in the Bank of Bombay, and other local Stocks, free of all charges, and will draw Interest and Dividends on the same as they fall due, on the following terms:—

If to be remitted through the Corporation ..... Without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ..... ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper out of safe custody ..... ¼ per cent.
Hours of business ..... 10 o'clock.
Saturday ..... to 1 do.

KURRACHEE SUB-AGENCY.

Messrs. Finlay and Co. will grant Drafts on the Corporation and negotiate Bills payable in London and Bombay.

Bombay, 28th January 1863.

THE BANK OF HINDUSTAN, CHINA, AND JAPAN, (LIMITED.)
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LONDON.....The Alliance Bank of London & Liverpool, (Limited,) 5, Lothbury.
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The Bombay Branch has been opened for business in the premises lately occupied by the Bank of Bombay.

The Manager grants drafts on London or Liverpool at the following rates of Exchange:—

At 6 months' sight		2s.	0¾d. per Rupee.
4	do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
3	do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
2	do.	2s.	0¾d. do.
1	do.	2s.	do.
On demand		1s.	11¾d. do.

To prevent disappointment to persons at a distance who may purchase the Bank's Bills on Europe, the Manager will, whenever so desired, forward the first of exchange direct on being furnished with the address of the person to whom the Bill is to be sent. *In all instances where a Bill is required in favor of a lady, her Christian name must be given in full.*

The Bank is prepared to negociate drafts payable in London or Liverpool, and will also purchase or grant Bills payable in Calcutta.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on balances exceeding Rs. 500 and not more than 50,000, and 1 per cent. per annum on balances exceeding Rs. 300 and not more than Rs. 500.

Interest is not allowed on balances of more than Rs. 50,000 except by special arrangement.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Subject to 12 months' notice of withdrawal 6 per cent per annum.

do.	9	do.	do.	5½	do. do.
do.	6	do.	do.	5	do. do.
do.	4	do.	do.	4½	do. do.
do.	3	do.	do.	4	do. do.
do.	1	do.	do.	3	do. do.

Notice of withdrawal may be given either when the money is deposited or at any future time, if the deposit be taken in the Bank's draft on Europe, the notice of withdrawal will *generally* be dispensed with.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off or of modifying the terms of Fixed Deposits, on giving one month's notice.

Government Paper and other Securities received for safe custody, and the interest remitted by the Bank's draft free of barge.

The Bank will procure enfacement of Government Paper on account of Constants, and forward the same to the Head Office without charge.

It is particularly requested that all orders or Hoondees may be made payable to, and all communications addressed to "*The Manager, Bank of Hindustan, (Limited,) Bombay.*"

R. E. W. BAKER,
Bombay, 20th January 1863. Manager.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.
EXCHANGE.

THE Bank grants Drafts on London, and on Scotland and Ireland, also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, and the principal Towns of Europe, at the following current rates of Exchange:—

On London, at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¾d. per Rupee.
„	4 do.	2s.	0¾d. „
„	3 do.	2s.	0¾d. „
„	2 do.	2s.	0¾d. „
„	1 do.	2s.	0¾d. „
„	On demand	1s.	11½d. „
On Scotland	do.	1s.	11½d. „
On Ireland	do.	1s.	11½d. „

Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe, Overland, at 1 day's sight... } 1s. 11¾d. „

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50 and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

The Bank also purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, and Mauritius.

Bills collected at any of the above places at an uniform charge including postages, of one per cent.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts ..... 2 per cent.
Deposits for 3 months ..... 3 „
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 4 „
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 6 „

No interest allowed on Current Account balances under Rs. 1,000 on or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement No cheques paid or cash received under Rs. 20.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realizes Interest and Dividends thereon on the following terms:—

If to be remitted in the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates out of safe custody, or when sold on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a Commission will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government Securities and Shares ¼ per cent.

R. D. PEEBLES,
Bombay, 19th Jan. 1863. Acting Agent.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th March 1848, and by Imperial Decree of 20th July 1854.
PAID-UP CAPITAL—Francs 40,000,000 (£1,600,000.)
RESERVE FUND—Francs 8,350,000 (£334,000.)
Head Office—Rue Bergère, Paris.
Agencies at Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, and Bourbon (Réunion).

London Bankers.
UNION BANK OF LONDON; MESSRS. C. J. HAMBRO AND SON.

BOMBAY AGENCY.
Offices—23, Rampart Row.

THIS Agency grants Drafts and Letters of Credit, and purchases or collects Bills on the abovementioned places; as also on the principal Towns of Continental Europe, on Madras, Pondicherry, Karrachee, Ceylon, Mauritius, Singapore, Hongkong, Sydney and Melbourne.

EXCHANGE.

Drafts granted as follows:—

On London 6 months' sight		2s.	0¼d. per Rp.
„	3 Do. Do.	2s.	0¼d. „
	On Demand	1s.	11¾d. „
On France 6 months' sight		frs.	2-57 cts.
„	3 Do. Do.	„	2-54 „
„	On Demand	„	2-51 „

DEPOSITS.

Interest at 2 per cent, per annum allowed on Current Deposits when not less than Rs. 1000, nor exceeding Rs. 50,000, for fixed periods as may be specially arranged.

DISCOUNTS, LOANS, &c.

The Agency discounts approved Local Bills, grants Loans on Government Paper, Bullion, Bank Stock, and approved Shares and other Securities.

Any further information as to rates of business, &c. may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the undersigned, to whom all remittances should be made payable.

T. R. E. DAVISON, Acting Manager.
Bombay, 1st February 1863.

CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000, and not exceeding Rs. 50,000, repayable on demand, at 2 per cent per annum.

On Deposits for 3 months certain 3 per cent per annum.
Do. „ 6 „ „ 5 „
Do. „ 12 „ „ 6 „

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London, at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¼d. per Rupee.
Ditto	at 4 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 3 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 2 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 1 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	sight ditto	1s.	11¾d. do.

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50 and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government and other Securities 5 per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On Interest, or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities by Sale, ¼ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India, if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returning Securities out of safe custody ¼ per cent. Commission

Hours of business ..... 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.
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EDWIN HEYCOCK,
Bombay, 31st January 1863. Manage.

THE AGRA AND UNITED SERVICE BANK, (LIMITED.)
ESTABLISHED IN INDIA, 1833.
Incorporated by Royal Charter.
HEAD OFFICE.....LONDON.
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THE BOMBAY MANAGER of the AGRA AND U. S. BANK, (LIMITED,) is authorised to draw on the undermentioned Establishments:—

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The Bank grants Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt and the Continent of Europe. The following are the current rates of Exchange:—

On London at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¼d.
„	4 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	3 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	2 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	1 month's sight	2s.	
„	On demand		
On Scotland		}	1s. 11¾d.
On Ireland			

The London General Manager will generally, if desired, be prepared to discount at the Bank's Bills at the current rate of the day.

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable at Calcutta, Agra, Madras, Lahore, Kurrachee, Umritsur, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Sydney.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

1. On Floating, or Current Deposits, payable on demand of not less than Rs. 1,000 or more than Rs. 50,000, 2 per cent. per annum.
2. On fixed Deposits at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent. per annum.
3. On Fixed Deposits at 6 months' notice, 4 per cent. per annum.
4. On Fixed Deposits at 12 months' notice, 5 per cent. per annum.

Fixed Deposits may generally be availed of for the Bank's Bills on London without notice.

Notice of withdrawal can be given at the time of depositing the money, or at any time thereafter.

Interest is credited to Deposit accounts half-yearly.

No Interest allowed on Current Account Balances over Rs. 1,000 or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.

The Funds of all public bodies connected with the Services and of such other Societies as the Directors may consider eligible for the same privilege, will be received by the Bank at its highest rate of interest for the time being subject to modified conditions.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off all interest Deposits, and of modifying the terms thereof, on giving one month's notice.

Parties making remittances to the Banks should specify distinctly the Account or Accounts to which the same are to be credited. *Accuracy in this respect is particularly desirable.*

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies without charge, and realizes the Interest and Dividends, for which a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper or other Securities out of safe custody, a charge will be made of ½ per cent.

n the purchase or sale of Government Securities and Bank or other Stock, ½ per cent.

To the late disappointment to parties at a distance purchasing the Bank's Bills on England, which might reach them too late for despatch by first Mail, it is hereby notified that the Bank will, whenever so requested, transmit the first of Exchange direct, being furnished with the correct address of the party at Home to whom the remittance is to be sent.

All Orders or Hoondies should be made payable to the Manager of the Agra & U. S. Bank, (Limited), or order, and the letters enclosing them should state distinctly the name of the erson to whom the Remittance is to be made *(if to a Lady her Christian name or names in full,)* and the sight at which the Bills are to be drawn.

NOTICE.—The Bank will obtain registry of Promissory Notes of thes everal Loans of the Indian Government, and Enfacement for payment of the Interest in London.

Drafts for interest on such Government Promissory Notes, on the Treasuries of Calcutta and Madras, will be received for encashment at current rates of Exchange, or for realization in India, at the Head Office of the Bank in London, where constituents can also deposit their securities for safe custody.

Parties are requested to address "*The Manager of the Agra and United Service Bank, (Limited), Bombay*" and to make all orders or Hoondies payable to him.

A Branch of the Bank has been lately established at Sydney, New South Wales, (Mr. Alexander Campbell, Manager) for the transaction of business in all its Branches.

H. B. MACCULLOCH, Manager.
Bombay, 19th February 1863.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
Office—No. 29, Threadneedle St., London.
Paid-up Capital—£644,000.
London Bankers, { The Bank of England. The City Bank.
Branches and Agencies at
Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

BOMBAY AGENCY.
EXCHANGE.

THE Bank's Agency in Bombay grants Bills of Exchange on THE CITY BANK, London, at the following rates viz.:—

6 month's sight (not under £50)		at 2s.	0¾d. per Rupee.
4	Do.	at 2s.	0¾d. „
3	Do.	at 2s.	0¾d. „
2	Do.	at 2s.	0¾d. „
1	Do.	at 2s.	0¾d. „
Sight		at 2s.	0d. „

DEPOSITS.

Interest is allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at 2 per cent. per annum, on the daily balance, and, and on Fixed Deposits, as follows:—

Repayable in one sum, at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent.

Do.	6	do.	5 „
Do.	12	do.	6 „

No Interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs 1,000 nor on Deposits above Rs. 50,000, unless by special arrangement.

REMITTANCE.

The Bank's Agency undertakes to realise Drafts or Hoondies on the Presidency without charge, for remittance to Europe in the Bank's Bills on the City Bank, London.

All Bills, or Hoondies, for remittance to Europe should be made payable to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, or order.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock and other Securities ½ per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills.

On Interest or Dividends, or proceeds of Securities by sale, ½ per cent if the amounts to be paid in India, if remitted home by the Bank, no charge.

On delivering up of Securities, deposited for safe custody, 2½ per cent.

Office hours 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.; Saturdays 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

The Directors have recently opened an Agency of the Bank of Rangoon for the transaction of general Banking and Exchange Business.

ANTHONY MORRISON,
February 21st, 1863. Agent.

Shipping.

BOMBAY.

ARRIVALS.

DATE.	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	FROM
Mar. 5	Algiers	Buchanan	Liverpool 29 Oct.
	Coromandel (s)	Itheridge	Goa 3 March.
	Tomogonoys	Poe	Liverpool 12 Nov.

DEPARTURES.

DATE.	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	TO
Mar. 5	Keerata Roodrin	Nacoda	Colombo.
	Umna	Moag	Liverpool.
	Calderia	Nacoda	Racipatam.
	Boyne	Nacoda	Joodah.
	Trenton	Walker	Liverpool.
	Eloisa	Philpot	Havre.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

Per Ship *Boyne*, to Joodah.—Four hundred adults.
Per Ship *Eloisa*, to Havre.—General and Lady Brown, and 4 children; and Lieut. J. Strettell.

COMMENCED LOADING.

The Barque *Futel Rahaman*, for Penang and Singapore began to load yesterday.

DAILY EXPORTS.

BOMBAY, THURSDAY, 5TH MARCH 1863.

For Liverpool.

Zambia.—25 bales Cotton, 67¼ cwt., Sewmoorly Anaporry.
3 Do. Do. 2s. 0¼d. „
On Demand ..... 1s. 11¾d. „
On France 6 months' sight ..... frs. 2-57 cts.
3 Do. Do. „ 2-54 „
On Demand „ 2-51 „

DEPOSITS.

Interest at 2 per cent, per annum allowed on Current Deposits when not less than Rs. 1000, nor exceeding Rs. 50,000, for fixed periods as may be specially arranged.

DISCOUNTS, LOANS, &c.

The Agency discounts approved Local Bills, grants Loans on Government Paper, Bullion, Bank Stock, and approved Shares and other Securities.

Any further information as to rates of business, &c. may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the undersigned, to whom all remittances should be made payable.

T. R. E. DAVISON, Acting Manager.
Bombay, 1st February 1863.

CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000, and not exceeding Rs. 50,000, repayable on demand, at 2 per cent per annum.

On Deposits for 3 months certain 3 per cent per annum.
Do. „ 6 „ „ 5 „
Do. „ 12 „ „ 6 „

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London, at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¼d. per Rupee.
Ditto	at 4 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 3 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 2 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	at 1 ditto	2s.	0¾d. do.
Ditto	sight ditto	1s.	11¾d. do.

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50 and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government and other Securities 5 per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On Interest, or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities by Sale, ½ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India, if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returning Securities out of safe custody ½ per cent. Commission

Hours of business ..... 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.
Saturdays ..... 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

EDWIN HEYCOCK,
Bombay, 31st January 1863. Manage.

THE AGRA AND UNITED SERVICE BANK, (LIMITED.)
ESTABLISHED IN INDIA, 1833.
Incorporated by Royal Charter.
HEAD OFFICE.....LONDON.
BRANCHES AT CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, MADRAS, AGRA, LAHORE, KURRACHEE, UMRITSUR, SHANGHAI, HONG-KONG, EDINBURGH, AND SYDNEY.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000 (TWO MILLIONS STERLING.)
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,000,000 (ONE MILLION STERLING.)
RESERVED FUND, £200,000 (TWENTY LAKS OF RUPEES.)

THE BOMBAY MANAGER of the AGRA AND U. S. BANK, (LIMITED,) is authorised to draw on the undermentioned Establishments:—

THE LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK.
THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND (and Branches).
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND (and Branches).
THE NATIONAL BANK OF IRELAND (and Branches).

The Bank grants Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt and the Continent of Europe. The following are the current rates of Exchange:—

On London at 6 months' sight		2s.	0¼d.
„	4 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	3 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	2 months' sight	2s.	0¾d.
„	1 month's sight	2s.	
„	On demand		
On Scotland		}	1s. 11¾d.
On Ireland			

The London General Manager will generally, if desired, be prepared to discount at the Bank's Bills at the current rate of the day.

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable at Calcutta, Agra, Madras, Lahore, Kurrachee, Umritsur, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Sydney.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

1. On Floating, or Current Deposits, payable on demand of not less than Rs. 1,000 or more than Rs. 50,000, 2 per cent. per annum.
2. On fixed Deposits at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent. per annum.
3. On Fixed Deposits at 6 months' notice, 4 per cent. per annum.
4. On Fixed Deposits at 12 months' notice, 5 per cent. per annum.

FOR CHINA.

559 Bombay Castle (s), Wadge—C. M. S. N. Co.
140 Ida, Jesson—David F. Stewart.
960 Indore (s), Brown.—C. M. S. N. Co.

FOR PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

436 Fatel Rahamon, Nicoline—Shaik Md. A. Latiff. (c.l. March 5)

FOR SINGAPORE AND SIAM.

327 Prince of Wales, Nacoda—H. J. Abadin.

FOR SIAM.

891 Prince of Wales, Nacoda—P. Hurrichund Sons & Co.

MOULMAIN.

364 Lone Star, Dizer—Ritchie, Steuart & Co.
109 Nassrool Hamed, Nacoda—M. Hussein.
607 Nooarut Shah, W. Minto—Forbes & Co.

FOR CALCUTTA.

639 Cutch Merchant, Ashley. (c. l. Feb. 24)
1499 Tulja, A. Crowell—Cursondass Madhavadass.

FOR KURRACHEE.

403 Washington, A. Mahaud—S. Tyebjee & Co.

FOR KURRACHEE AND MAURITIUS.

Kurrachee (s), G. Beyts. (c. l. Feb. 27)

FOR HUDOODA.

444 Waverly—Hajee Mohoued Sedick. (c. l. Feb. 26)

FOR ZANZIBAR COAST.

669 Nasree, Box—Dossabhoy Merwanjee & Co.

FOR BATAVIA.

380 Postilyon, Greir.

NOT FIXED.

1001 Algiers, Buchanan—Ritchie, Steuart & Co.
397 Artemisa, Nacoda—Cassum Natha.
277 Bombay (s), J. Woolley—Callandass Nusserwanjee.
559 Bussora Merchant, Richards.—H. Moosa Joosub.
623 Colgrain, P. Case.—Peel Cassels & Co.
1647 Earl of Dalhousie, J. Campbell—Cursetjee Muncherjee.
882 Excelsior, Sanderson—W. Nicol & Co.
212 Futtel Mujid, Nacoda—Woosman Voydina.
670 Futtel Salamun, T. Davies.—H. A. N. Mahomed.
830 Futtay Allum, Mitchell.
139 Hamidoboux, Nacoda.
899 Harkaway, Johnson—Peel, Cassels & Co.
733 Hamoody, Nacoda—Shaik Mahomed Abdool Latiff.
620 Hydroe, Chrichton—Abdool Cadoo.
1042 Indomitable, Carron, R. N. R.
574 Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, H. Parker—Eduljee Framjee & Co.
369 Juddal Maunoo, Nacoda—Adamally Sooltanally.
374 Kasrovie, W. Gray—Purshotum Hirachund.
651 Lady Canning, H. M. Sidick.
Lady Amherst, Harrison.
30 Mahomed Bux, Nacoda—Cowasjee Eduljee.
624 Maria Grey, Jones—A. Mahomed Tuckey.
747 Miletus, Shaw—M. N. Bhownuggur.
705 Phatel Barry, Nacoda—H. Esmal H. Hubib.
1328 Princess Alexandra, White—Wallace & Co.
699 Sarah, Gordon.—Wallace & Co.
498 Shaw Allum, C. Ricker—H. S. Jaffer.
706 Thames, Tatham—Captain.
1191 Whampoa, Pritchard—Tudor Ice Company.

P. & O. Co.'s STEAMERS.

476 Azof, Brasley.
1959 China, R. Curling.
1100 Jeddo, Browne.
1209 Norna, G. Burne.
1609 Pottinger, H. K. Toll. (Laid up)

VESSELS IN KURRACHEE HARBOUR.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Duke of Northumberland, Brown—D. Cursetjee & Co.
Reine de Anges, Ternes—D. Cursetjee & Co.
Shaw Allum, Clarke—Captain.

FOR MAURITIUS.

Japan, Henderson—Captain.
391 Lady Rawlinson, Rowe—Fleming & Co.

FOR BOMBAY.

1156 Frenchman, Galloway—Oriental I. S. Company.

MAUMAKIN.

591 Princess Royal, Anderson—Fleming & Co.

FOR BOURBON.

Godavery.

NOT FIXED.

Rebecca Shephard, Summers—Captain.

VESSELS EXPECTED AT KURRACHEE

FROM LONDON.

433 Balnaguith, Robertson,	Nov. 12
850 Clarendon, Dongal.	
364 James Purle, Wilson.	
396 Kent, Birch.	
615 Loretto, Thomas.	Jan. 20
882 Punjaub.	Dec. 5
1226 Queen of the East, Bilton.	Dec. 21
740 Ramillies. Denory.	Dec. 2
733 Salo, Sardgen.	Jan. 15
492 Sincere, Winchester.	
399 Tamar, Ross.	Dec. 8
462 Traveller, Fletcher.	
649 Westward Ho! Wilkinson.	

FROM LIVERPOOL.

963 Ann Buckle, Tomlinson.	Nov. 26
680 Campbell, Meikle.	Jan. 13

all projects of public improvement—*eternal writing and reporting about things*, till all concerned get sick of the business, and then it is left undone. More than seven years ago, on representations made by Messrs. Brice and Co. and others interested in the cotton trade in the South Mahratta Country, as to the absolute necessity of having something like a decent port and landing place to meet the requirements of a commerce that was being so rapidly developed in that quarter; both the Madras and Bombay Governments took up the subject, with apparent zeal. Captain A. D. Taylor, of the Indian Navy, a most competent person was sent down to Sedashewgur to survey and report as to its capabilities. Lord Harris came round from Madras to inspect. A glowing report was made, reporting most favorably of such a scheme. The Report was endorsed by the Madras and Bombay Governments, and at the end of 1856, we believe, forwarded to the Court of Directors for approval and confirmation, on receipt of which, the project, it was understood, was to be carried out forthwith.

The crisis of 1857-8 came, when of course the energies of all the Governments were absorbed with the one engrossing object of preserving the State.

Still it was supposed something was being done, and it was talked of as a work in progress. The Court of Directors had passed away, but order had been restored, and it was not supposed the Local Governments would lose sight of the scheme, which they were presumed to be anxious in having carried out. Nearly three years ago, when Manchester became somewhat inquisitive as to what was doing in India for the developement of the cotton trade, the projected pier at Sedashewgur was mentioned. No one there had heard of such a thing, they wanted to get information about it.

A Gentleman present at one of these Manchester meetings affording information at the request of Government, knew well of the proceedings in India about the scheme but could not tell what was then being done. At an interview with the Secretary of State for India, he inquired what was the state of affairs about the Sedashewgur Pier, as the people in Manchester were eager for information on the subject. Sir Charles Wood seemed surprised at the inquiry, he had never heard of the scheme.

The Secretary of State called for an old official who had been in the India House under the regime of the Court of Directors, whose duty it was to know about the report if it had been received, and to say what had been done. But he was in the same state of helpless ignorance as his chief, and denied that any reports or papers on the subject had been received from India.

A half-informed person would have been staggered after such a confident denial. But the Inquirer in the present case was not to be baulked. He told the Secretary of State he had seen these papers in India, and was confident they had been sent home.

Sir Charles Wood turned to the Official referred to, gave peremptory order for an immediate search, saying the papers must be found, and that forthwith. Shortly afterwards the clerk in question returned to the Secretary of State, looking rather foolish, having all the papers connected with the question in his hand, which after nearly four years quiet repose, were disinterred from their hiding place in the exact state in which they had been originally transmitted from India! In the days of the Court of Directors such delays were not uncommon, we trust they have now passed away never to return!

Sir Charles Wood is not responsible for the bungling that has characterised all the proceedings in connexion with this Sedashewghur pier scheme, from first to last, but he ought frankly to have explained in England the real state of the case when he knew it, and saved himself from much unnecessary odium. In his anxiety to screen the local Government most blameable in the matter, he has exposed himself, and been led into a statement on the subject he must have afterwards regretted.

The hopeless dilatoriness of the Madras Government has been punished by taking North Canara out of its hands. The Bombay Government is now on its trial in this matter. There is not usually half heartedness with our present Governor in any work he undertakes to perform, and we trust the result of his present visit to Sedashewgur, will have the effect of infusing something of his own energy into all the officials concerned in the work, so that when Sir Charles Wood is next questioned on a subject he must be heartily sick of, he may be able to reply on the authority of His Excellency that the Sedashewgur pier is no longer a work in progress but a work accomplished.

THE *Delhi Gazette* makes the following observations regarding communication between Agra and Bombay:—

"Government seem to have some mysterious object in view in keeping Agra isolated as regards means of communication with the Western Presidency. Its relative position and the physical geography of the country between Agra and Bombay we should suppose, would equally have pointed the advisability of connecting the two places. Yet it is not generally known—at least we cannot believe that it is generally known,—there is communication now between Agra and Bombay with the exception of one comparatively short break, which break might be removed at a trifling expense, and with a certainty of a large profit. That break is between Indore and the head of the railway, Nassick we believe. If there was a bullock train between these two places, and the distance is not great, nor are there any difficulties political or physical or any other in the way of establishing a bullock train there, we should have rapid, and direct communication between Bombay and Agra. Now considering how desirable it is at any time to give facilities to commercial enterprise, and especially so, when we are trying to introduce railways all over the country with the very object of stimulating and facilitating commercial energy, it is strange so obvious a method of preparing the way for the rail, of giving commerce a channel, and awakening some of that activity to which we look to support our railways and make them profitable investments, and beneficial to the revenue,—it is strange so obvious a method of accomplishing this, as the establishment of communication between Bombay and Agra, has not been taken advantage of. It is quite certain that if the were communication between the North-West Provinces and the Western Presidency, an enormous quantity of cotton that now finds it devious way to the sea coast, by many routes, would pass down easily, rapidly, and safely by this channel."

As to the importance of uninterrupted communication between Agra and Bombay, we might even say between Delhi and Bombay, there can be no question. The break in the communication between Agra and Bombay, which our contemporary describes as being "between Indore and the head of the railway, Nassick we believe," is now in process of being bridged over in the very way he suggests—by the establishment of a bullock train from Indore (not to Nassick, but) to the Munmar station. It is not, however, Government, but the Railway Company—the party most interested in an uninterrupted communication, the party, therefore, that ought to provide it,—that has stepped into the gap. An agent of the G. I. P. Railway Company, Mr. Keiley, a man by knowledge, energy and business habits well qualified for the undertaking, has been despatched to Indore to establish such a communication by bullock train between Indore and the railway. The Company is looking after its own interests in establishing this communication; as it is quite certain that it would lose the carriage of the Malwa opium, as well as of the cotton from the North-West, if it did not do so. There is competition now in that quarter. Already the Bombay, Baroda, *and Central India* Railway Company is conveying opium from Central India by carts, railway and sea to Bombay. The G. I. P. Railway Company must work sharp to secure to itself the carrying traffic of Central India. The Company has done well in establishing this communication between Indore and the railway. It would do still better, however, if after accomplishing this object, it would send the same, or an equally active and efficient, agent on to Delhi, to establish such a communication between that district of country and the railway. Already long lines of camels, laden with cotton, make their slow and difficult way from that district to Indore. Any kind of communication, that would enable traffic to flow along at the rate of six knots an hour, would do wonders in the way of developing the trade of that district and of bringing it to Bombay as its natural outlet. The G. I. P. Railway Company may depend upon it that unless it moves quickly in the direction which we have now indicated, it will have competition to contend with, even if it does not lose the traffic altogether. We believe the statement of our Delhi contemporary that "an enormous quantity of cotton would pass down by this route" if regular through communication were established.

We would just inform our contemporary at Delhi that his geography is a little out as regards Nassick. If by "head of the railway," he means the terminus, Nassick is not only not a terminus, it is not a station: it is not even on the railway, but five miles distant from it, and the nearest station to it is Deolalee. It is, we believe, the Munmar station that has been fixed on as the place where the bullock train from Indore will meet the railway. We are glad that, by the establishment of this train, the one from Agra to Indore will be rendered far more useful, and the numberless advantages of through communication between Agra and Bombay be secured.

OUR Neilgherry contemporary, the *Excelsior*, takes us to task for our recent remonstrance against the extravagant statements put forth from time to time by interested parties as to the enormous profits said to be realised by coffee planting on the Neilgherry Hills and elsewhere. Our contemporary "fancies he knows all who have within the last twenty years speculated in this way on the Neilgherries, and is sure that only *one* can be pointed out who has any reason to complain." Our acquaintance with Neilgherry speculators does not go back so far as twenty years; and yet we know of more than one who has reason to complain. We do not intend, however, to speak for other people. We might refer our contemporary for information regarding the incalculable profits from Neilgherry speculations to the following amongst others, Professor Owen, Colonel Pope, of the Bombay Army, and Major Hunter, of the Madras Army; they are of age, and can speak for themselves: if not of age before they engaged in Neilgherry speculations, they have certainly become so since. We could, moreover, introduce our contemporary to owners of estates who have been known to say that their estates were so bad for want of water that they were positively afraid to go and look at them. We suppose they were afraid that, while looking at their estates, they would have in their mind's eye the profits that were to be realized from them. Ever since the days of Solomon at least, sellers and buyers have been wont to speak in very different terms regarding the same thing. And it is a way that the owners of inferior coffee plantations have to praise them and say that they have been offered large sums for them. Of course they never say this with the view of getting the large sums! The owner of a really good plantation will *not* sell. What our contemporary states regarding the success of three plantations which he specifies, we do not for a moment question; and so far as the wish is father to the thought that the same might be predicated of all, we quite agree with him.

THE Hon'ble George F. Edmonstone has obtained permission from His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General to resign from the 1st instant the office of Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces, and the Governor General has directed as a mark of respect due to the character and services of Mr. Edmonstone, that all the Honors and Distinctions to which he is now entitled as Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces shall be continued to him until the period of his embarkation for Europe.

Mr. Henry Byng Harington, Member of the Legislative Council of the Governor General, has been appointed to the post of Lieutenant Governor of the North-Western Provinces.

HIS Highness Maharajah Scindia, K.S.I., having received permission to visit Bombay on the conclusion of the present ceremonies, in the North-Western Provinces, His Excellency the Governor General is pleased to sanction the deputation of Lieutenant A. G. Mayne, Adjutant of the 2nd Regiment Central India Horse, to be in attendance on the Maharajah.

BRIGADIER T. TAPP, C.B., Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, has been appointed a Brigadier of the First Class, and to command the Garrison of Bombay, in succession to Brigadier Liddell, proceeding to Europe on medical certificate.

Colonel E. L. Russell, of the 12th Regiment N. I., now stationed at Surat, is appointed a Brigadier on the Establishment from the date of Brigadier Liddell's departure for Europe.

MAJOR R. P. MALCOLM, of the Royal Bombay Engineers, Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, and Deputy Secretary to Government Railway Department, is allowed a furlough to Europe for twenty months on medical certificate.

THE office of the Brigade Major Queen's Troops, having been abolished, the whole of the establishment and records of the office will be handed over to the department of the Adjutant General of the Army.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

(By Electric Telegraph.)

MADRAS, *4th March*, 5-20 P.M.

Steamer *Queen of the South* sailed for London.

GALLE, *5th March*, 9-50 A.M.

H. M.'s steamer *Sydney* from Bombay anchored.

GALLE, *5th March*, 3 P.M.

Steamer *Nubia* anchored from Suez.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND TO FEB. 17.

(Special Telegram for the Bombay Gazette.)

LONDON, *17th February*, 1863.

News from America to sixth February.

Confederate gun-boats defeated. Federal fleet off Charlestown; raising blockade resumed.

No military events.

Prussia joins Russia against Poland.

Cotton firmer. Same prices.

COMMERCIAL NEWS TO FEBRUARY 17.

(By Electric Telegraph via Galle.)

Consols, 92¾.

Fives, 105¾.

Specie, three hundred and ninety thousand.

Bank Discount, not quoted.

Indigo, closed flatly 1,700.

Sugar, firm.

Rice, middling, three pence lower.

Saltpetre, advanced six pence. Bombay cheap.

Linseed, firm.

Rape, firm, sixty.

Silk, Bengal, held above value.

Corahs, no transaction.

Jute, declined twenty shillings.

Hides, transactions limited.

Lac Dye, moderate demand.

Shell Lac, fine dear, common cheaper.

Safflower, fine declined five shillings.

Catch, no quotation.

Coffee, firm.

Pepper, firm.

Cocoanut Oil, three pence lower.

Coir Yarn, maintained.

Tallow, declined three pence.

Wheat, dull.

Cotton, quotations unaltered, tendency downwards.

Yarn, steady.

Shirtings, inactive.

CHINA COMMERCIAL NEWS.

HONGKONG, *18th February*, 1863.

KEDGEREE, *5th March*, 1-20 P.M.

Per steamer *Reiver*.—Opium at Hongkong, small sales. Present quotations are:—

Patna, $645.

Benares, $625.

Malwa, $585.

Exchange on London Bank Bills, four shillings and pence half-penny.

First Class Private Paper, four shillings nine pence.

On India, two hundred and twenty-seven Rupees.

Rice, common Bengal cargo, two dollars, and forty cents. Better quality, two dollars and sixty cents.

Shanghai advices to the eleventh February:—

Opium quotations then were—

Patna, 530 taels.

Malwa, 545 taels.

Exchange on London Bank, six shillings and two pence three farthings.

First Class Private Paper, six shillings three pence farthing.

On India, three hundred and one Rupees.

MADRAS.

MADRAS, *5th March*, 1863.

Securities, Five and a half, thirteen and three quarters to fourteen premium.

Fives, seven premium.

Fours, two discount.

Document Bills, two shillings one and quarter penny.

Freight, dead weight, thirty shillings.

Cotton, eight shillings.

Interest on loans, seven per cent.

Money market, money in more demand.

Forty inches Grey Shirtings, seven pounds, rupees seven fourteen annas.

Number forty Mule Twist, good seconds, rupees seven per bundle.

WE regret to announce the death on the 24th instant, of Dr. Colin Paterson, Acting Inspector General of Hospitals at Kamptee. The intelligence was received at the Presidency by telegram on Thursday.—*Madras Times, Feb. 28.*

ANOTHER smash amongst the charitable military institutions of the Company's government and armies is close at hand; and the instructions for its accomplishment are actually amongst us. An order has come out from the Secretary of State for India, directing that immediate measures shall be taken for terminating the existence of the Military and Orphan Funds of the Bengal Army; and, of course, those of Madras, and Bombay go simultaneously. The Government takes over the liabilities of the funds, as regards pensions and other benefits and advantages heretofore guaranteed to, and enjoyed by, the subscribers and their widows and orphans; and it also takes over all property, money, and assets, belonging to the institutions, which in some cases are not small. The property of the Bengal Orphan Fund in and near Calcutta is moderately estimated as being worth ten lakhs of rupees, and that portion of it which is rented out at Kidderpore, with the Orphan Press, brings in a clear profit revenue of between five and six thousand rupees a month, all of which, together with the income derived from the subscribers to the fund, will lapse to the government. The directors of the two funds have been requested to prepare and send in to government a plan for the change and transfer in question, which will be finally carried out by the Finance Minister. This measure has been foreshadowed for a considerable time, as, for the last year, military Chaplains have not been allowed to subscribe to these funds, and latterly young officers coming out in the service have not been, as before, compelled to do so. We doubt the strict legality of the action adopted by the government in this instance; but, so long as it meets the claims of present subscribers and incumbents to the annihilated funds, we suppose that nothing will, or need be said in opposition to its decree.—*Englishman, Feb. 25.*

WE are glad to hear that Sir Charles Trevelyan's measures of economy and reductions of public expenditure are now being gradually carried out. The days of the Military Finance Department are now numbered. Instructions have been issued to the Head of that Department to close the accounts of his Office before the 30th of April next, by which time it will cease to exist. Thus government has at last decided to do away with the most expensive and useless establishment, by which a saving of about Rs. 1,80,000 per annum will be effected. The business hitherto done in that Department will be made over to the Office of the Controller, who shall be empowered in future to communicate directly with the Military Secretary to the Government of India.—*Hurkaru, Feb. 25.*

WITH reference to a return of the number of packages passed through the Custom House during the last year, called for by the Financial Member of the Council from the Collector of Sea Customs, there was a little difference in our calculations, when we said the other day that the total number amounts to about 90 lakhs. From a closer examination of the statistics, we are enabled to state that the total number of packages imported during the year 1861, comes up to the approximate amount of 91 lakhs; but then, there are certain articles, each of which cannot reasonably be reckoned as a separate package. For instance, if 1,000 cocoanuts be imported from Ceylon, the number of packages of that property be reckoned as a distinct and separate package. Making, therefore, an ample allowance on that head, we deduct one-third from the total number of 91 lakhs, then the balance will amount nearly to 61 lakhs of packages. Now if a small duty of one anna be imposed on every package, as rumour says, Sir Charles Trevelyan contemplates doing, it would yield a revenue of 4 lakhs of Rupees per annum or thereabouts, exclusive of that raising from the number of packages exported, which again may be estimated at about three times as much, so that the total revenue from this new imposition would amount to nearly 16 lakhs, to which, if the duty on the bonded packages be added, it will come up to 18 lakhs of Rupees per annum.—*Id.*

OUR Cabul letter published to-day gives us a little more information regarding affairs on the Affghanistan frontier. As we remarked the other day, there is no longer any doubt about a Persian force having approached Herat. The advance of this force was stopped by the Shah's orders on the representation of the British Minister at Teheran. The force has reached "Kariz," a place on the high road from Meshed to Herat about eight marches from the latter place. This move was made under the pretence of watching the Affghan force under Shureef and Ruffeek Khan, who had moved on Ghorian, which is about fifty miles from Herat, with the alleged object of collecting supplies, but more probably with the real purpose of watching the Persians, and preventing their progress, should they attempt to approach nearer Herat.—*Delhi Gazette, Feb. 28.*

LOCAL.

YESTERDAY WAS A CLOSE HOLIDAY in Bombay, all the public Offices, Banks, &c. &c., being closed. The Holi festival scarcely deserves so much honor from Englishmen. A holiday on the occasion of the Prince of Wales' marriage would do us more credit, and generally amongst Englishmen, at least, would be regarded as more appropriate.

THE GOVERNOR'S RETURN TO BOMBAY.—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Bartle Frere, arrived in harbour yesterday morning on board the *Coromandel*, together with, Lady Frere; Mr. Arthur; Captain Leach; Captain Leith; Captain Playfair; Major Clerk; Major Kennedy; Major Anderson; Dr. Stedman; and Mr. Hirt, when the usual salute was fired. His Excellency and all connected with him seems to have been singularly unfortunate during his trip; not only was the *Berenice*, run aground, but the *Gullanaire*, steamer in charge of Lieut. Searle, after conveying the Governor to the *Coromandel*, fouled the *Berenice* and carried away her masts and funnel. The *Coromandel* arrived at Bombay on Wednesday night, but it was deemed prudent to anchor at the outer light-ship until morning, his Excellency probably wishing to avoid another risk of disaster.

THE health of the town has been gradually declining, owing perhaps to the approach of the hot season. There has been a slight increase in the number of casualties during the past week. Fever and small-pox are the prevailing epidemics; cholera prevails, but to a slight extent. Measles has also made its appearance. The following is a classified table of the casualties:—

EUROPEANS.		PARSEES.	
Fever	1	Fever	7
Cholera	0	Cholera	1
Other diseases	8	Other diseases	13
INDO-EUROPEANS.		JEWS.	
Cholera	0	Fever	0
Fever	1	Other diseases	0
Other diseases	2	NATIVE-CHRISTIANS.	
HINDOOS.		Fever	5
Fever	86	Small-pox	1
Cholera	13	Other diseases	8
Other diseases	83	NEGRO AFRICANS.	
MUSSULMANS.		Fever	0
Fever	44	Other diseases	4
Cholera	2		
Other diseases	27		

SUMMARY OF CHIEF DISEASES.

	Last Week.	Aver. of past 10 years.
Small-pox	24	39
Cholera	17	29
Measles	6	16
Fever	146	146
Nervous system	15	12
Respiratory system	24	24
Alimentary system	36	37
Cachexy	21	13
Accidents	6	3
Other diseases	11	7
Total	306	326

WEATHER REPORT.

At 9 hours of the 5th March 1863.

BROACH.—Fine and calm.

BULSAR.—Fine S.W. light.

CANNANORE.—Fair.

GALLE.—Calm and fine day. Ther. 80.

GOA.—Cool wind; steady from west.

KOLAPORE.—Fair wind easterly.

KURRACHEE.—Fair wind, S.W. cool.

MADRAS.—Fine wind, south-easterly.

PAUMBEN.—Calm and cloudy. Ther. 84.

SURAT.—Morning and evening cool, hot day.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOMBAY EDUCATION SOCIETY.

THE Annual Meeting of the Bombay Education Society took place in the Girls' School, Byculla, yesterday evening at 5 P.M. His Lordship the Bishop presiding, and many friends of the institution being present. After the report for the past year had been read by the Secretary, the children sang the Anthem "Happy is the man." Proverbs iii., 15. Subsequently undergoing an examination in religious and secular knowledge, which was followed by a song in parts "Come away." On the conclusion of the general business of the evening, another song in parts was sung "The Army and the Navy," followed by a distribution of prizes. The proceedings of the evening terminating on the children singing the National Anthem. It was highly gratifying to witness the clean, healthy, and cheerful appearance of both the boys and the girls, and their excellent singing, which by the bye was loudly clapped by the non-singing classes of the children, reflects great credit on those to whom this branch of their education is due. The readiness too of their answers to questions by the Lord Bishop on biblical and historical knowledge, was very pleasing, evincing the care and attention bestowed on their training. The arrangements for the accommodation of visitors deserve a passing encomium as exceeding any thing hitherto attempted and the textrial hangings on the walls of the school-room were a novelty. Altogether the proceedings of the meeting were satisfactory, and the only cause for regret was an allusion in the report to the great lack of public support accorded to this noble institution whose benefits, as extending to generations yet unborn, it is impossible to calculate, and cannot be conferred without the fullest and the most generous assistance of a charitable public, to whose kind attention we commend these schools.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the petitions of the several persons hereunder named and described have been presented to the Court for the relief of Insolvent Debtors' Bombay, praying, respectively, for the benefit of the Act made and passed in the eleventh year of Victoria, Chapter XXI.:—

Varjeevundass Cursondass, a broker; date of petition filed, 18th February 1863.

Vujadur Bhaimul Jeejoy, a labourer; Cazee Mahomed Sallay bin Cazee Amroodin Purkar, none; date of petitions filed, 20th February 1863.

Yencoo Bhowanjee, a tailor; Jawdowjee Munjee, a carpenter; Jungoo Emam, a contractor; date of petitions filed, 21st February 1863.

Vussonjee Purshotum, unemployed; Rajinna Crustnajee, lately a chunam seller, at present a muccadum in the service of Purshotum Khetsey; Nursey Hurry, a horsekeeper; date of petitions filed, 23rd Feb. 1863.

Golcha Bapojee, a gardner; Raghoonath Luxumonsets, a goldsmith; Jeeveebace woman, Annundee woman, Vella woman, and Rahimtoolla Jan Mahomed, the first three are courtezans; date of petitions filed, 24th February 1863.

Javerchund Currumchund, a general merchant; Nurseo Dhurmajee, a retailer of liquor; Khundoojee Dwarkojee, a native drummer; date of petitions filed, 26th February 1863.

Joseph Cannolly, a clerk in the Prothonotary's office; date of petition filed, 28th February 1863.

Thacoordass Luckhmidass, a metta; in the service of Thacker Moorarjee Bhimjee; Ludha Premjee, a broker; Noordin vullud Soolamon Bullee, and Mohideen vullud Soolamon Bullee, syrangs; Ardasir Jechangirjee, unemployed; Veerjee Pursotum, a general merchant; Dadajee Heerajee, a carpenter; Dewraz Mowjee, a dealer in dry fish; Sumbhoo Bhanjee, a liquor seller; Hurry Witteo Savut and Pandoo Witteo Savut, horsekeepers; date of petitions filed, 2nd March 1863.

Orders in the matters of the abovenamed Insolvents' petitions, that the real and personal Estate and Effects of the said Insolvents be vested in the Official Assignee of this Honorable Court, under Clause VII. of the said Act, have been duly made.

Days appointed for hearing the petitions of the undermentioned Insolvents.

Vussonjee Purshotum, Khutri Jadowjee Munjee Junjoo Emam Beg, Ludha Premjee,—3rd Monday in March instant, at 11 o'clock.

Hurry Withoo Savut and Pandoo Witthoo Savut, Jeeveebace Woman, Anundee woman, Velle woman, and Rahimtoola Jan Mahomed, Noordin vullud Soolaman Bullee, and Mohideen vullud Soolamun Bullee, Vurjivundass Cursondass, Javerchund Currumchund, Rajinna Crustnajee, Nursey Hurry, Veerjee Purshotum, Dewraz Mowjee, Govind Dasajee, Nanjee Goverdhun, Tatia Suttoojee, Sumbhoo Muccajee, Essoo, Ranoo, and Tnuckoo, women,—1st Monday in April next, at 11 o'clock.

The abovenamed Insolvents have filed schedules of their debts, estates, and effects in my office. Opposing creditors must file their claims, verified by affidavit, and pay the usual fees, at my office, at least three days before the hearing.

Dividends payable in the undermentioned Insolvents' Estates.

Hurrichund Ramcrustna,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 15 per cent., 1st insolvency.

Hurrichund Ramcrustna,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 12 per cent., 2nd insolvency.

Hurrichund Wisswanathjee,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 10 per cent.

Bhasker Jugonnathjee,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 9 per cent.

Framjee Dadabhoy and Nusserwanjee Dadabhoy,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 10 per cent.

William Henry Wakeman,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 5 per cent.

Thomas Knight,—3rd Monday in March instant, of 5 per cent.

J. W. ORR, Clerk of the Court.

Court House, Clerk of the Court's Office, Fort, Bombay, this 3rd day of March 1863.

LAW.

HIGH COURT.

THE following cases fixed for final disposal on Friday, and Saturday, the 6th, and 7th instant, are postponed to Monday, the 9th instant.

195 Hema Khima *vs.* James Wilkinson.

204 Davidass Hurgovindass *vs.* Goculdass Pragjee.

205 Jeevun Moorajee *vs.* Tricumdass Moorarjee.

The following cases fixed for Settlement of Issues on Friday, and Saturday, the 6th, and 7th instant, are postponed to Friday, the 13th instant.

145 Cursetjee Rustomjee and others *vs.* Torin Thatcher.

164 Dewjee Dharsey and others *vs.* Nagsee Lalljee and others.

181 Babajee Cassinath and another *vs.* Suruffally Furjulabhoy.

182 Pestonjee Byramjee Cola *vs.* Mohundass Purmanundass.

183 Caetana Luiza de Ga *vs.* Antonio George de Ga.

184 Shaik Mahomed Abdool Latiff *vs.* Gursamull Tarrachund.

185 The same *vs.* Tarrachund Ramchund.

186 The same *vs.* Poorunmull Chimonram.

187 The same *vs.* Hookumchund Sevontroy.

188 The same *vs.* Kesrising Mohunlall.

189 The same *vs.* Kesrising Dongersidass.

190 The same *vs.* Jovarimull Ramjeedass.

191 The same *vs.* Jagonath Jeytroop.

192 The same *vs.* Goolabroy Rampursad.

194 Ahmed Hajee Abdoolla *vs.* Hajee Essack.

197 Shaik Mahomed Abdool Latiff *vs.* Kirparam Hununtram.

198 The same *vs.* Doolubram Sewdutroy.

199 The same *vs.* Bupusurnath.

200 The same *vs.* Ramkisson Sewnarayen.

201 The same *vs.* Jainarayen Dhunraz.

Prothonotary's Office, 5th March 1863.

BENGAL.

WE understand that the Warrant Officers of the Ordnance Department have through one of their number representing the body at large, submitted to government a respectful memorial, praying for a revision of the order of the Secretary of State for India, which we published and commented upon last month; and which deprives any commissions they may hereafter receive for long or distinguished service of all substantial advantages, and decrees that, for the future, they shall be honorary, and virtually valueless. This gallant and useful body of old soldiers are peculiarly fortunate as regards the military support which they will probably receive—in Council from Sir Robert Napier, one of the kindest and most considerate officers that ever reflected back the honour which the British uniform confers, and from his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, who is keenly alive to the claims of long and gallant service, and who, we are certain, will not neglect the interests of the highly deserving body of veterans whom the order in question will injure.—*Englishman, Feb. 25.*

YESTERDAY morning, in Fort William, there was an Invaliding Committee at the main guard, before which appeared some soldiers whose destiny was to be settled by the medical officers according to the orders of the government relating to these matters. The case of one man was as follows:—He was a trooper in the Bengal Horse Artillery at the siege of Delhi, and when engaged in action against the enemy with his troop, on the 16th of August 1857, he fell down paralysed from the heat of the sun, and was taken to the hospital. He soon partially recovered from the paralysis, rejoined his troop like a good soldier, and continued with it during the campaign till March 1858, when he was further disabled by a gun passing over his right thigh. His character, as given in the military rolls laid before the Invaliding Committee, was entered as "very good," and he had two good-conduct rings on his right arm. He was still suffering slightly from the paralysis, but only to such a degree that several, if not all, the Surgeons on the Committee believed that a change to his native climate, that of England, would restore him to health and make him again what he had been as long as he could be—a useful and efficient soldier. The Committee had, however, no option or power in the matter; and he was returned as unfit for further service, to be sent to England and dismissed to earn his bread how he best can should he ever recover from the disease which he contracted in England's service and when doing his duty in battle during one of the most glorious episodes of her history. This plain, matter-of-fact statement requires no comment from us. It speaks for itself, and we hope that it may attract the attention of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, who has always, whatever his other shortcomings, been the friend of the good soldier.—*Id.*

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General met this morning, Sir Robert Napier presiding, and at once proceeded to the business of the day.

THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF BENGAL presented the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to enable the government to divest itself of the management of religous endowments.

ALSO, applied to the Hon'ble the President to suspend the Rules for the Conduct of Business, and, on the suspension of the Rules, to move that the Report be taken into consideration. The Report having been considered, the Bill was passed.

MR. HARINGTON presented the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for taking land for works of public utility to be constructed by private persons or companies, and for regulating the construction and use of works on land so taken, and, under the suspension of the Rules, moved that the Report be taken into consideration. The Report having been considered, the Bill was slightly amended and passed.

ALSO, moved that the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the partition of estates paying revenue to government be taken into consideration. The Bill, after consideration, was passed with the amendments recommended by the Select Committee.

ALSO, that the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to amend Act X. of 1859, (to amend the law relating to the recovery of rent in the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, so far as it relates to the territories under the government of the Lieutenant Governor of the North-Western Provinces, be taken into consideration. The Report was then considered and the Bill passed.

On the motion of the same Hon'ble member the Reports of the Select Committees on the following Bills were taken into consideration:—

1. Bill to constitute Recorders' Courts for the town of Akyab, Rangoon, and Moulmein, and to establish Small Cause Courts.

2. Bill to amend Act XXI. of 1856, (to consolidate and amend the law relating to the Abkaree revenue of Fort William in Bengal) and Act XXIII. of 1860, to amend the said Act XXI. of 1856.

3. Bill to amend Act I. of 1859, for the amendment of the law relating to merchant seamen.

MR. MAINE moved that the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to authorise the extension of the term of office of the Municipal Commissioners in the Settlement of Prince of Wales' Island, Singapore, and Malacca, be taken into consideration. The Report was considered and the Bill passed.

MR. ELLIS, in moving that the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the registration of assurances be taken into consideration, and the Bill re-published, briefly described the details of the Bill, pointing out the obligations the Council were under to Mr. Forbes, who had first introduced it, and stating that the delay which had taken place in bringing it forward had been productive of good rather than harm, inasmuch as it had drawn forth the opinions of the local governments and others interested. The Act would come into operation on May 1st, 1864.

MR. HARINGTON introduced the Bill to provide for the speedy adjudication of claims to waste lands. He would not dwell further on the objects of the Bill, but would simply state the amendments which had been made in accordance with the suggestion of some of his Hon'ble colleagues. In the first place the time necessary for advertisement of sale had been extended from thirty days to three months on the suggestion of Rajahs Dinkur Rao and Deo Narain Singh. For the same reason power had been given in Section 5 to the Collector to permit more than one person to notify objection at the same time. The term of three years had also been substituted for one as a limit in which to claim compensation. In Section 7 it was also proposed to use the word "persons" instead of "judges," in order, if possible, to secure the presence of non-official persons on the Courts appointed to decide claims. Section 10 also provided that in suits of claim, &c., instituted by order of government, government should appear as plaintiff. Such were the main alterations in the Bill, and as it was urgently needed he would move the suspension of the Standing Orders in order that the Report might be considered and the Bill passed.

MR. COWIE would not oppose the Bill, but he thought it would have been better had it been more generally published.

MR. HARINGTON explained, and

SIR ROBERT NAPIER fully concurred in the remarks made by Mr. Cowie. Involving, however, as the Bill did, important interests time had been a great object, and the necessity for speedy action had prevented the otherwise desirable publication. The Hon'ble President further advocated the extension from thirty days to three months, and added that it would not only be the duty of the executive government to give due notice of sale in order that all claims might be brought forward in season, but to intimate that such was its duty.

SIR CHARLES TREVELYAN suggested that in order to avoid the raising of such claims it would be an excellent plan that all land supposed to belong to government and considered desirable for sale should be surveyed in order that a good stock of waste lands for sale might always be in the market. He considered that this would be an effectual security against the raising of private claims when the land was as the survey of the land would be a matter of local notoriety. He added that the practice had generally obtained in Ceylon, and had had, he believed, a most beneficial effect.

THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR was understood to explain the mode of survey generally adopted in Bengal, and to say that all the waste lands could not be surveyed as Sir Charles had wished.

SIR CHARLES TREVELYAN had not suggested that all the waste lands should be surveyed, but merely those considered desirable for sale. He would suggest that the local governments should lay out for such lands and cause them to be surveyed and the boundaries marked as soon as possible, in order that disputes after sale might be avoided. He had been struck by the existence of a similar practice in Ceylon. It was certainly not the law there, but the practice had arisen out of the law—a practice to all intents and purposes better than the law itself. He merely made the suggestion as a practical one—one to which, he thought, the principle of the present Bill was conducive, and one which, in his opinion, was of public interest.

SIR R. NAPIER concurred in the desirability of such a practice; and the Bill, as amended, was passed.

MR. MAINE introduced the Bill to make provision for the speedy and efficient disposal of the business now pending in the office of the Master of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal. It would be within the recollection of the Council that at the last meeting it had been proposed to limit the Bill to the High Court of Calcutta, and that Mr. Harington had suggested its extension to Madras and Bombay—an extension which had not been made previously on account of the want of communication at the time with those governments. Since then, however, government had telegraphed to those Presidencies and had received an answer from Bombay to the effect that the introduction of such a Bill would be highly desirable; and from Madras to the effect that it was not at all required. This perplexing state of things was, he thought, best provided for by a clause which confined the Act at present to Calcutta, but gave the Governors of Bombay and Madras power to extend it to their Presidencies if deemed needful. Certain other matters of detail had been altered, all with the approval of the Judges of the High Court. The Hon'ble member concluded by expressing his sense of the great credit due to Sir Mordaunt Wells for the, to an English lawyer, extraordinary rapidity with which the arrears of business on his side of the Court had been got rid of; and the Rules having been suspended, the Bill was passed.

SIR ROBERT NAPIER then said that the Council was adjourned *sine die*; but while doing so he remarked further that he was certain all there would join with him in expressing satisfaction at the mark of confidence shown by his Excellency the Viceroy in appointing their Hon'ble friend Mr. Harington to the post of Lieutenant Governor of the North-West Provinces. The Council would certainly lose the benefit of his valuable services, but they would be transferred elsewhere, and he was sure that all the members heartily wished him success and prosperity. Should the Viceroy require the services of the Council due notice would be given.

THE COUNCIL then adjourned *sine die*.—*Englishman, Feb. 26.*

ADDRESS TO SIR C. TREVELYAN.

IN accordance with the wishes of the Mahomedan inhabitants of the Presidency, met at the house of Moonshee Ameer Ally, on the 1st February 1863, a Deputation of the community was appointed to wait upon the Hon'ble Sir Charles Trevelyan, K.C.B., with an Address of congratulation on his return to Bengal, in connection with most important responsibilities and duties to the Government of the Empire.

The Deputation consisted of the following gentlemen, who proceeded with the above object, to his residence on the 19th instant.

Moulvie Mohomed Wujeeb, Moulvie Syud Kuramut Ally, Moulvie Mohomed Muzhur, Moonshee Ameen Ally, Moulvie Abdool Luteef, Cazee Abdool Barree, Moulvie Wuheedoon Nubee, Moonshee Hubeebool Hussun, Aga Koochuck Sheerajee, Aga Syud Hossain Shooshtree, Shaikh Ibraheem, Nuzeer Ally Khan, Aga Mohomed Hossain Chulpee, Nakhoda Hussain Ibraheem Binjouhur, Moulvie Abbass Ally Khan, Hukeem Kassim Ally, Shaikh Reasa Bin Curtas, Moulvie Abdool Ghuffoor, Moonshee Fida Ally, Moulvie Abdool Jubbar, Moulvie Kuheerooddeen Ahmud, Moulvie Abdoor Rowoof, Moulvie Ahmud, Moulvie Syud Mouzzum Hossain, Moulvie Ameeroddeen Mohomed, Moulvie Ameeroodeen Ahmud, Moulvie Murhumut Hossain, Moulvie Abdool Hukeem, Moulvie Abeidoollah, Shaikh Koodrutoollah, and Moulvie Syud Tufuwzzool Hossain.

The Address in Persian was read by Moulvie Mohomed Muzhur Khan Bahadoor Cazeeool Coozat, and in English by Moulvie Abdool Luteef Khan Bahadoor, and was as follows:—

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dance is to be placed on the purity and freedom from adulteration of what is exported from India. Merchants, in consequence, are very much inclined to keep as clear as possible of the Indian markets, if there is a possibility of obtaining supplies of unadulterated and clean cotton from other quarters. Mr. Scott, with great force and clearness of statement, depicted the wholesale nature of the robberies and rascality, which mark the conduct of the dealers in the Bombay Presidency, and he pointed out in strong language the inevitable results to the trade, and, the pressing necessity which existed for some legal enactment to put a stop to glaring and shameless frauds, which have been constituted into a regular system. The common practice of the country dealers is to form an admixture of the very commonest and most trashy descriptions and the American seed cotton, and this combination is carried on to the extent of mixing the two varieties in almost equal proportions. The demand for cotton has become so large and pressing, that the native dealers have come to the conclusion that quantity is the main thing to be looked to, and that quality is a consideration of no importance whatever, and they carry on their trade in most instances with the utmost shamelessness and effrontery. Very few of them take the trouble to conceal their nefarious practices, and openly acknowledge, when spoken to on the subject, "that they do not think it can be of much importance, as no notice is taken of it." Such is a fair specimen of native Indian commercial morality, and the absolute necessity existing for some law to bear on this subject, and to produce by main compulsion a little decency and honesty in commercial transactions, is now, we imagine, fully recognised. The self-interests of dealers we should have thought would have led to some reform in this respect, but it is almost impossible to expect any reformation amongst a class of men, who look rather to the immediate gains which they suppose they can accumulate, than to the more advantageous and substantial nature of the sure and constant acquisitions to be derived from a trade in the future, of which so good opportunities now exist for laying a solid foundation. But such, unfortunately, is the short-sightedness of men who are determined to get riches,—no matter what the future result may be to their successors, or to the trade of their country,—that nothing short of a positive enactment of a sufficiently stringent nature, can be looked to as a means of preventing the evils which are now so rife, and of retarding the inevitable destruction of the cotton trade of India, which is considered of such vast importance both as concerns this country and England. The people of India are very slow to acknowledge and act upon the doctrine that "Honesty is the best policy." Most of them, we fancy, think that it is perfectly justifiable to insert a piece of rock weighing half a hundred-weight or so into the centre of a bale of cotton, if this can be done with a fair chance of avoiding discovery, and maund or two of sand, whilst costing nothing, adds in their estimation to the value of their article. This penny-wise and pound-foolish principle will recoil on them at last, for no body of merchants will consider it worth their while to battle against such practices. The people of India have often complained because we have accused them of such things, but we imagine they would find it difficult to exculpate themselves, and establish a character for fair and honest dealing in the face of such incontestable evidence, as has been brought against them in the Bombay Council. We pointed some time ago, that one of the largest contractors for cotton had been compelled to give up almost entirely the system of advances, because the honesty of the people did not afford a sufficient guarantee for the faithful performance of their contracts, and there was no law to compel them to do so. Now we have to record the results which are being produced by the system of cheating and fraud carried out in the adulteration of cotton. We find the great merchants all telling the same tale of efforts made and sad disappointments, owing to the rascality of the dealers. They are obliged to make the same confession one after another, that "We have now been obliged to abandon in a great measure our up-country business. Arrangements for this are now in progress, and simply because we find it impossible to make head against the growing evil of the adulteration of cotton." This is lamentable in the extreme, and the ruin of this important trade is sure, unless some measures be adopted by the Government to make the fraudulent adulteration of cotton a penal offence. And if the people of India lose the present opportunity of establishing a trade which would enrich them to an enormous extent, they may depend upon it that they will have no second chance. The cloud must soon break in America, and in consequence of the utter impossibility of relying upon Indian for a good article, English merchants will once more turn their attention to the West. That a good cotton can be produced here, has been shown in the course of the present debate, and had that cotton been sent for sale in an unadulterated form, it would have met with a ready acceptance in the English market. It is useless to say to merchants, "Buy or not as you please,"—it has been proved that they are obliged to take what they can get, in consideration of the advances made by them. No doubt they must take that or none, or stand the alternative of losing their money entirely or in part. No amount of care on the part of merchants in general would be sufficient, simply from the very face of the expensive nature of the superintendence which would have to be constituted, in view to ensure that no adulteration had been resorted to, and the main object of making cotton cheap enough to secure it a market would thus be defeated. The only result that can possibly be anticipated, without a law or without honesty in the dealers, is the cessation of the trade, and immense loss eventually both to cultivators and dealers.

THE LAST BATTLE IN AMERICA.

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THERE are few who in cold blood, and without any exciting motive to overcome the natural aversion to danger, would wish to go through the excitements and the perils of a great battle. But what is a great battle, with all its tumult, its smoke, and its carnage, compared with the morning that succeeds it? The excitement is gone, the burning courage which hurled men upon mortal dangers, of the existence of which they were scarcely conscious, is chilled. War has lost all those external ornaments which, if they do not make ambition virtue, conceal and ennoble the dreadful work of carnage, and the battle-field appears what it really is,—a human shambles. Squalid and hideous, full of agonizing and piteous entreaties from men who yesterday dreamt not of either giving or asking for mercy, full of death and slow lingering agony worse than death, who can read without a shudder the description given by our correspondent of the battle-field of Fredericksburg, on which the wounded were doomed to lie for three long days unrelieved, uncared for, a prey to the thirst that fever engenders, shivering in the cold dews of night, and sweltering in the hot sun of noon, because the Federal commander could not bring himself at first to ask from his enemy leave to remove them? What can be more mournful than the sound of those voices, repeating, in tones that grew fainter and fainter, the name and number of their regiment, as if despairing of all human succour, unless they could summon one of their comrades to their assistance? We read these things and shudder; but we require no such lesson as every day affords, in some quarter or another of the United States, against the folly and wickedness of civil war. We only wish that the narratives which appear in our columns could find entrance into the newspapers of the North. There it is only read that so many have been killed and so many have been wounded. These are abstract figures, which excite no sympathy or pity, and leave those who hear them without any clear conception of the unutterable misery which they indicate. People who would shrink in horror and dismay from the spectacle of a single individual suffering the least of the horrors which thousands endured after the battle of Fredericksburg sum up the loss with indifference when it is expressed to them only through the cold and impassible medium of the Arabic numerals. The sight of that hill-side at Fredericksburg might well induce the most fiery zealot of the Northern tribune, pulpit, or printing-press to reconsider the whole question between North and South, and to ask himself what prospect this war affords which can compensate for the extraordinary misery it has thus wantonly called into existence. Is this the manner in which the North means to consummate the re-entrance of the South into the Union? Are these the memories which are to bring back alienated friends, and heal the wounds which Civil Discord has left behind her?

But, while the Northern soldiers see and suffer from all the realities of war, the Northern people in no way interrupt the avocations of daily life, nor strain their imaginations to picture to themselves what is passing on innumerable battle-fields, nor task their consciences with questions as to the amount of their responsibility. They are determined to win back, by whatever means and at whatever cost that mighty Union which enabled them to defy remonstrances and trample on the rights of so many European nations. Rather than give up the pleasure of insulting with impunity by turns every Power of the European Continent, they are content to offer up themselves, their Union, their freedom, to this deceptive dream of national elevation and glory. Nor is Fredericksburg alone famous for the slaughter that it witnessed. The battle for the possession of Nashville and the battle for the possession of Vicksburg are only repetitions of the same monotonous tragedy, in one of which the fortune of war seemed to favour the Federals, and in the other the Confederates. Five days of blood in either case led to the withdrawal of the attacking force, but, as to any influence the event is likely to have on the termination of the war, these dreadful struggles might as well have remained unattempted. Is, then, the conflict to be renewed as long as fresh men can be brought up; and is there no end of one battle still to be the prelude to another, until men, worn out by the bloody orgies through which they reel and stagger, shall lose even the thread of a history which connects them with peaceful times, when they were content to be governed by law, and to obey gentler persuasions than those of musketry and artillery?

We fear that there is nothing in the tone of the American people to give us any very confident hope that the miseries of the nation are as yet drawing to an end. All the ordinary motives that can act upon mankind have been tried and tried upon them in vain. The ruin of a flourishing commerce has threatened a people who used to be considered as among those most devoted to the acquisition of money of any nation on the face of the globe; but a currency more abundant, and the power of investing it as soon as realised in lucrative Governmentcontracts, or in a thousand other ways which the necessity of this hard time points out, seem to have stifled in the breast of the Americans all anxiety as to their finances. The prospect of retaining power on the one side and the fear of losing it by a premature and ill-concerted declaration of opinion on the other, have made the Republicans firm in the prosecution of the war, and the Democrats unwilling to advocate with sufficient vigour the propriety of an armistice with the view to a general peace. If any one hoped that the Democrats, who are as yet irresponsible for the war, would avail themselves of the recent elections to speak their minds freely and openly, we fear he is doomed, for some time at least, to be disappointed. The more the Union vanishes out of the sight of all reasonable men, the more do the two parties of the State vie with each other in their frantic promises to renew it. Governor Seymour can find in the policy of Mr. Lincoln many things most justly reprehensible, but the one thing which above all others to an European eye draws down upon the President the reprehension of all good men—his resolution to persist in the war—is now imitated by men who disapprove the cause of the war, who disapprove the manner in which it is carried on, and who believe in their heart of hearts that the only chance to avert the ruin of their country is to do the very thing that they are most sedulous in denouncing. Winter, which used to be looked upon as, for a time at least, preventing the possibility of hostilities, seems to have been the signal for renewing them on a scale at once larger, more bloody, and more bitter than ever. Where shall we look for an end to this fratricidal madness? America will not accept the remedy from without, nor can she work it out for herself from within. We are sometimes appealed to, as if an imperative duty called upon us to join France in intervention; but no duty can bind us to push ourselves into the councils of men who entered into this war without consulting us, and would see in any endeavour to put an end to it only provocation to be treasured up for future use, and a new ground for an enmity which there is no occasion for us by any means to increase. We must be content to look on yet awhile, and to hope that deliverance for this people, most sorely tried because most entirely handed over to its own devices, will come from some quarter of which present circumstances afford us no indication.

KINGLAKE'S INVASION OF THE CRIMEA.*

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ANNOUNCED under various titles, at fitful intervals, for several years back as "in the press," or "ready for publication," or "shortly to appear," the work on which Mr. Kinglake has been engaged so long and so laboriously has at length been partially given to the world. Neither his time nor his labour has been lost. The *History of* 1854 must have been well employed, and although the delays to which the author alludes are not accounted for, the world has no reason to complain if the postponements of publication have in any degree conduced to the admirable completeness of finish of which the present volume bears promise. The history of the work is given in a preliminary chapter, in which Mr. Kinglake tells us that Lady Raglan intrusted him in 1856 with the whole mass of her husband's papers, which, including the immense body of reports and correspondence of all kinds which were addressed to the Commander of the English army, from "the strategic plans of the much contriving Emperor, still carrying the odour of the havannahs which aid the ingenuity of the Tuileries," to the "elaborate proposal of the British General who submitted a plan for taking Sebastopol with bows and arrows," were in the most perfect order. These, however voluminous and important as sources of information and mines of authentic fact, did not contain all the authorities on which Mr. Kinglake depends. The readiness with which every one possessed of the smallest knowledge tendered all he knew to the author fairly embarrassed him. Statesmen, Admirals, and Generals for years past have been corresponding and conversing with him on the business of the war, and every man of them "has taken it for granted that what is best for the repute of England is the truth," which fact Mr. Kinglake characterizes as one which will not surprise his own countrymen, but will "in the eyes of foreigners seem passing strange."

Not only did he receive most clear and abundant answers to every inquiry he addressed to any French commander, but an officer of great experience and high-"gifted" was specially despatched from France to England to impart ample information respecting "some" of the operations of the French army, and from his admirably lucid statements Mr. Kinglake acknowledges the advantages he derived. This courtesy certainly invalidates the complaint which he insinuates against the French Government, because they did not avail themselves of his offer to submit the journals of their divisions and the unpublished papers in the War-office to the "gifted" member of the House of Commons whom he deputed to look over them. It does not appear that the Russian War-office was more liberal-or obliging. The three divisional Generals who commanded under Prince Menschikoff at the Alma furnished Mr. Kinglake with narratives of their proceedings, through a "gifted" young Russian officer; but the official bureau was not to "glide" quite so speedily despatches from France to England to impart ample information respecting "some" of the operations of the French army, and from his admirably lucid statements Mr. Kinglake acknowledges the advantages he derived. This courtesy certainly invalidates the complaint which he insinuates against the French Government, because they did not avail themselves of his offer to submit the journals of their divisions and the unpublished papers in the War-office to the "gifted" member of the House of Commons whom he deputed to look over them. It does not appear that the Russian War-office was more liberal-or obliging. The three divisional Generals who commanded under Prince Menschikoff at the Alma furnished Mr. Kinglake with narratives of their proceedings, through a "gifted" young Russian officer; but the official bureau was not to be looked upon as, for a time at least, preventing the possibility of hostilities, seems to have been the signal for renewing them on a scale at once larger, more bloody, and more bitter than ever. Where shall we look for an end to this fratricidal madness? America will not accept the remedy from without, nor can she work it out for herself from within. We are sometimes appealed to, as if an imperative duty called upon us to join France in intervention; but no duty can bind us to push ourselves into the councils of men who entered into this war without consulting us, and would see in any endeavour to put an end to it only provocation to be treasured up for future use, and a new ground for an enmity which there is no occasion for us by any means to increase. We must be content to look on yet awhile, and to hope that deliverance for this people, most sorely tried because most entirely handed over to its own devices, will come from some quarter of which present circumstances afford us no indication.

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